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Lots of people want to ride with you in the limo, but what you want is someone who will take the bus with you when the limo breaks down. Oprah Winfrey

Want to give blood?

by Jim Frenchik

The School Improvement Plan (SIP) Committee needs new blood. Last year the committee, consisting of seven dedicated souls, took on the responsibility of ensuring that the four goals set up in the accreditation SIP (Communication, Curriculum, Technology, and Policy) were being addressed.

This is extremely important in terms of our accreditation. Sadly, two of last year's members cannot serve this

year.

The committee feels that there is not enough representation from the

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ICASE Fall Conference

September 25-26

by Judy Cass

George Stailey, Judy Cass, and Cindy Lawrence attended the Fall Conference of the Indiana Council of Administrators of Special Education in Terre Haute. The conference focused on including students with disabilities in state and local standards, assessments, and accountability. It also emphasized using the IEP as a tool to access curriculum, instruction, and standardized assessment modifications. Much focus and energy has been spent in determining programs for special education students and not enough on outcomes. Once a student entered the domain of special education expectations lowered and waivers were obtained to eliminate the need for outcome assessment. As with all students in Indiana, special education students will be expected to meet specific outcomes set forth in their IEPs and will be expected to pass the ISTEP+ or meet specified criteria in order to receive a diploma upon graduation from high school. Schools will be held accountable for the quality of their programs.

We received many positive remarks about ISD and fielded many inquiries about services offered here.

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The collaborative efforts with Lawrence Township and the McKenzie Center are well-known and respected. Several directors expressed interest in offering ASL for credit in their high schools and middle schools. Directors asked about audiological and psychological services and the possibility of our assessment staff either doing the assessments for them or teaming with their current assessment staff. Terri Motter specifically received accolades for an assessment she did in northwestern Indiana recently. During his presentation, Bob Marra, State Director of Special Education, emphasized the need for case conference committees to consider the communication and language needs in the direct delivery of services for all deaf and hard of hearing children. He also recommended that the public school staff contact the Indiana School for the Deaf for assistance in understanding what these needs are and for providing for these needs.

All of this translates into trust and respect in ISD by the public schools. We have several directors awaiting our contact to discuss further collaborative efforts.

YEAH!

What goes around...

by Carol Keller

Carol Keller and the

7th grade class are having an ALL SCHOOL Random Acts of Kindness (RAK) Program in Caskey Gym on October 21st from 9:40-10:40. They invite all of our ISD family to attend.

The class will demonstrate

and explain RAKs. Then they would like for staff members to share RAKs in their lives. They hope that some of you will be

willing to share an act of kindness that you have

experienced. The class will then explain an incentive program to encourage RAKs at ISD for the rest of the year. At the end of the program, everybody will form a big circle and hold

hands for one minute.

Hope to see you there!!

MML seeking donations



by Dan Stutler

Middle School and High School students are seeking donations of used videotapes and 3.5" computer disks. Many companies, especially Internet providers, are sending diskettes and videotapes to homes as demos. If you have any of these and have no use for them, please donate them to the students in the MML classes via Robert Wilson.

The next Campus Bulletin will be distributed on Friday, October 31. Please submit any articles to Jim Frenchik in the Learning Resource Center by Tuesday, October 28.

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general school population for balanced decision making. They are asking for (at least) one representative from each department to join for more accurate staff input.

Meetings would be scheduled according to common available times, and would likely occur weekly at first, and less often thereafter.

If you would like more information on any of the following workshops you may contact the Staff Development Office, which is located in Building 6 in Room 223. Our phone number is ext. 414. Right now we still don't have a TTY answering machine, so if we are out of the office, please leave TTY messages with Pam Lewis at ext. 419. There is also additional information on the bulletin board outside the office.

Title: Preservice School Bus Driver Safety

Education Training Course

Offered by: Dept. of Education

Skills: How to drive a bus

Date: Oct. 22 - 24

Cost: Free - Pre-registration required

Location: Indiana Government Center South

Title: Criticism & Discipline Skills for Managers

Offered by: Career Track

Skills: How to make a poor employee a good one

Date: December 4, 1997

Cost: \$139.00

Location: Hyatt Regency

itle: How to Become a Great Communicator

Offered by: Fred Pryor

Skills: Improve your ability to build winning relation-

ships with everyone

Date: December 3, 1997

Cost: \$89

Location: Quality Inn East

Title: Leadership & Supervisory Skills for Women Offered by: National Businesswomen's Leadership

Association

Skills: How to get more done in less time

Date: December 5, 1997

Cost: \$69

Location: Embassy Suites Downtown

Title: Coaching and Teambuilding Skills for Manag-

ers and Supervisors
Offered by: Skillpath

Skills: How to build a balanced team with "players"

who work well together

ate: November 12, 1997

cost: \$99

Location: Indianapolis Marriott

Title: How to Make Presentations with Confidence

and Power

Offered by: Fred Pryor

Skills: Specific steps to overcome the anxiety and fear

of speaking to groups

Date: November 5, 1997

Cost: \$199

Location: Best Western Waterfront Plaza Hotel

Title: 1001 Ways to Energize Employees

Offered by: Fred Pryor

Skills: Energizing techniques for boosting the productivity of team members, departments and committees

Date: November 12, 1997

Cost: \$149

Location: Days Inn Airport

Title: Emotional Intelligence: How Schools and

Teachers Can Promote Self-Discipline

Offered by: California School for the Deaf

Skills: Learn about research and strategies that can be used to help children and adolescents develop their

emotional intelligence

Date: November 14 - 16, 1997

Cost: \$225

Location: Fremont, CA

Title: Attention Deficit Hyperactivity Disorder

Offered by: Interactive Teaching Network

Skills: To disseminate teaching strategies and practical information about students with attention deficit disorders.

Date: November 5 and November 18, 1997

Cost: no cost

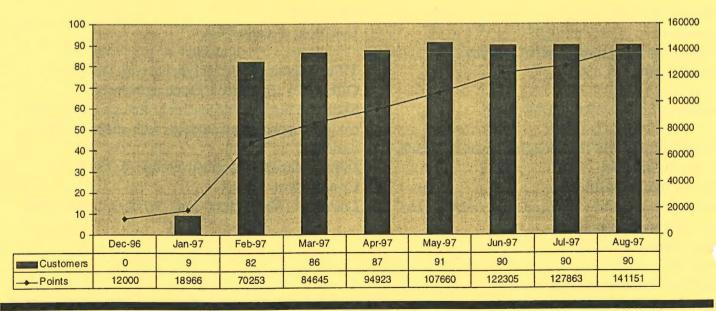
Location: West Central Joint Services, Indianapolis

look who attended workshops during the last two weeks:

by Mary Alice Moon, Staff Development Coordinator

Reaching Under-Served Families	Cindy Lawrence	Ethics for Managers	Patsy Spencer
rannnes	Chidy Lawrence	Grant Writing	Debbie Fetzer
Practical Ways to			Yvonne Catt
Strengthen Kindergarten	Chris Fetzer		Matt Krueger
Wrap-Around Conference	Pam Burchett	EconomicsAmerica	Jim Frenchik
•	Cathy Pardee		Jan Myers
	Judy Cass		Linda Cooper
			Leithia Whited
Decentralizing Training	Patsy Spencer		
	Dave McKenna	Physical Education	Mike Paulone
		Workshop	Nancy Caraboa
Unity Training	Judy Cass		David Bailey
	Jerry Thixton		David Catt
	Louise Fitzpatrick		
	Dave McKenna	Symposium on Deafness	Diane Jones
			David Geeslin
Ethics for Supervisors	Judy Cass		
		Science Conference	George Houk

AT&T update



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New Hands Alive show postponed

by Debbie Fetzer

Because of the renovation project that will be in effect in the ISD auditorium in late November or early December, it is unfortunate at I have to announce that the 1997-98 Hands Alive Production will be postponed until next year.

Our next production will follow a 1950's theme with a variety show called "Rock Around the Clock." The show will consist of hilarious skits, ASL poetry, fast-paced dance movements and songs in ASL interpretation which will knock your socks off! The upcoming production will be co-directed by Debbie Fetzer and Tim Burdsall.

Auditions are tentatively scheduled for the spring of 1998.

last chance to save money

by Vicki Peavey Vincennes University ASL Program

The Vincennes University ASL program will continue selling the popular Entertainment books through October 31.

If you have never seen an Entertainment book, you will be excited to know that it includes many 50% off or two-for-one discounts to a variety of local services and restaurants from fast food to "fine dining."

It also includes discounts to movie theaters and professional sporting events in Indianapolis, Chicago, and Cincinnati. You can also save on airfares with participating airlines and hotels across the country.

The books cost \$25, but they are a bargain when you realize that you can save that much in the first few times you take advantage of their offers.

To purchase an Entertainment book, contact Vicki in the Vincennes University office at 923-2305.

Information and details will be announced in the Campus Bulletin and flyers will be mailed out when plans are firm.

